

# PATROL NEWS

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"75 YEARS OF SERVICE & PROTECTION"



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# From The Staff ...

**Major Gene Lacy**  
**Support Services Bureau**



The past several months have seen several initiatives under way in the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division (MVID). Most notable is a new program to combine the safety and emission inspection programs in the St. Louis non-attainment area by September 2007. Secondly, a more cooperative climate has been established with school bus industry operators and officials by the division leadership.

The non-attainment area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson, and Franklin counties. Lieutenant David P. Perkins, division director, and MVI Chief Paul Rehbein, Troop C, have been working with staff from the Missouri Department of Natural Resources' (MoDNR) Division of Environmental Quality. The new emission inspection program will be decentralized and will incorporate an on-board diagnostic (OBD) test. The OBD test will determine emission compliance on all 1996 and newer gasoline vehicles and light trucks, and 1997 and newer, light duty, diesel-powered vehicles. The contractor will develop and maintain a vehicle inspection database that will contain all inspection information for 1996 and newer vehicles and will be available to the Department of Revenue for vehicle registration purposes.

The MVID, in a cooperative effort with the Missouri Association of Pupil Transportation, the Missouri School Bus Contractors Association, and the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education met to consider a revision to the school bus inspection rejection criteria. Subsequently agreed to and adopted is an advisory category for minor defects discovered during the Patrol's annual school bus inspection process. The adoption of this new policy should provide a better picture of the condition of the school bus fleet regarding the rejection percentage. The advisory items, which include clearance lights, lettering issues, wiper blades, broken lenses, reflectors, and other minor defects, do not cause the bus to be unsafe if defective. School bus operators will be allowed to repair these items without a rejection being recorded if repairs are made prior to the MVI inspectors leaving the site.

There were several proposed legislative bills that, if passed, would have had a major effect on the Motor Vehicle Inspection Division. Most notably were SB 17, SB 479, and HB 525, all of which would have repealed the safety inspection program with the exception of school bus inspections. None of these bills passed by the close of the legislative session, and the safety inspection program remains intact.

Finally, I wish to thank all motor vehicle inspection personnel for your continued dedication and support to the overall mission of the Patrol and the division. I sincerely believe the success and longevity of all motor vehicle inspection programs are directly due to the outstanding work ethic and exemplary service exhibited by each and every one of you, past and present. I implore all motor vehicle inspectors and civilian personnel alike to keep up the good work as we continue to weather yet another challenge.

*L. E. "Gene" Lacy*



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## Mitchell Supports The MASTERS



*Mr. Doug Mitchell presents a donation to The MASTERS to help further its mission of assisting families of troopers killed in the line of duty. Pictured with Mr. Mitchell is (left to right) Colonel James F. Keathley, superintendent of the Patrol, The MASTERS director and retired Colonel Fred M. Mills, and retired Colonel Roger D. Stottlemeyer.*

## Cover

*The collage on the front of this issue shows pictures taken at the 2007 Missouri State Highway Patrol Annual Awards Ceremony & The MASTERS Banquet. A list of award recipients is on page 5 of this issue. For a detailed description of the awards, visit [www.mshp.dps.mo.gov](http://www.mshp.dps.mo.gov), select News Releases, scroll down the page to Monday, April 23, 2007, "13 Honored At Patrol Awards Ceremony".*

# DDCC Honors Employees' Contributions

**By DDCC**

The Division of Drug and Crime Control annually recognizes employees for outstanding accomplishments in the field of criminal investigation through the presentation of a "Civilian Employee of the Year" award, an "Officer of the Year" award, and a "Task Force Officer of the Year" award.

Criminal Intelligence Analyst Gail J. Paceley was named the 2006 Civilian Employee of the Year for her outstanding service. CIA Paceley was assigned to the Division of Drug and Crime Control in 1985. She was the first civilian employee in the original Intelligence Section. After 27 years of dedicated service, CIA Paceley retired on February 1, 2007. At the time of her retirement, she was assigned to the Division of Drug and Crime Control, Missouri Information Analysis Center (MIAC), as a criminal intelligence analyst.

CIA Paceley was instrumental in the development of the MIAC newsletters and alerts. These documents are distributed to law enforcement agencies throughout the United States. Prior to her retirement, she received a request for these documents to be distributed to an agency in Europe, which means that the publications have now gone international. As a result of a mandate for the MIAC to be a 24-7 operation, CIA Paceley voluntarily changed her work schedule to work every Saturday and Sunday evening, which is one-third of the weekend shifts. She was the only MIAC employee to volunteer for this schedule. CIA Paceley volunteered to work all the major holidays, so other employees of the MIAC can be home with their families. Her willingness to go the extra mile to keep all the shifts covered with as little disruption as possible to her co-workers' schedules has removed a tremendous burden from the rest of the MIAC employees. Her positive manner and her cooperative work ethic are a good example for all to follow.

The 2006 Officer of the Year Award was presented to Sergeant Sarah L.

Eberhard for her outstanding investigative ability, cooperative work ethic, attitude, and daily interactions with others. Sgt. Eberhard has been a dedicated member of the Division of Drug and Crime Control since May 2, 2004. She has been consulted by a number of agencies seeking her advice on a particular investigation or case. Sgt. Eberhard was the "case agent" on 25 Federal Drug Enforcement Administration cases in 2006. She also submitted reports relating to 267 other Drug Enforcement Administration investigations during that year. Sgt. Eberhard has represented the state of Missouri and the Missouri State High-



*Capt. Luke Vislay, Q/DDCC, presents the DDCC Civilian of the Year award for 2006 to CIA Gail J. Paceley.*

way Patrol in a professional manner. She epitomizes professionalism with courtesy. Her job focus in coordinating investigations with other agencies is exemplary. Sgt. Eberhard serves as an example for any department that relies on the coordination of resources in order to completely serve the citizens of Missouri.

Missouri State Water Patrol Cattle Theft Task Force Corporal Steve Crain received the 2006 Task Force Officer of the Year Award for his dedication



*MSWP Cpl. Steve Crain accepts the 2006 Task Force Officer of the Year award from Capt. Luke Vislay, Q/DDCC.*

to duty and for the hard work and perseverance he has shown on a daily basis. Cpl. Crain was assigned to the Cattle Theft Task Force, and along with Sergeant Daniel F. Nash, accepted the task of educating cattlemen, legislators, insurance representatives, and police officers around the state, and to begin intensive enforcement in order to bring about a permanent working solution to the rapid increase of cattle thefts throughout the state. Their efforts were rewarded soon with the arrest of an individual. Cpl. Crain obtained a confession from the suspect responsible for stealing cattle and trucks in Texas, Shannon, Dallas, and Jasper counties.

During September 2006, nearly 100 head of cattle stolen from Cooper and Miller counties were recovered in Phelps County and returned to their owners. A separate investigation in Audrain County resulted in the confession of two other individuals. Cpl. Crain has become known across the state as the officer to call about cattle thefts. He has displayed a tireless work ethic, required minimal supervision, and repeatedly conducted sound, notable, and professional investigations.

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Cpl. Crain has a very strong sense of responsibility as a law enforcement officer. His actions and enthusiasm have far exceeded the normal "call of duty". Throughout Cpl. Crain's career, he has been and continues to be an outstanding example of what is right about law enforcement to both other officers and all citizens he comes in contact with. Cpl. Crain has represented the Cattle Theft Task Force, the Missouri State Water Patrol, and the Missouri State Highway Patrol in a manner that is consistent with the highest of standards set by both agencies. He has proven himself to be a model employee that others should strive to follow.

## 2006 Patrol Awards

### Officer Of The Year

Trooper John L. Mason Troop D

### Civilian Of The Year

Chief Commercial Vehicle Officer  
Martha A. McCartney, Troop H

### Meritorious Awards

Trooper Danny A. Bickell, Troop F  
Trooper Christopher A. Winter,  
Troop A  
Trooper Jarrod S. Thomas, Troop C  
Corporal Donald S. Larsen, Troop C

### Lifesaving Awards

Trooper Carisa L. Goins,  
Q/Gaming Division  
Trooper Huntley H. Hoemann,  
Troop C  
Trooper James M. Linegar, Troop C  
Trooper Kyle D. Wilmont, Troop I  
Corporal Norman E. Rodenberg,  
Troop A  
Sergeant Cody H. Fulkerson,  
Troop E

### The MASTERS Public Service Award

Lieutenant James E. McNiell,  
Troop E

## 'Looking Beyond the Stop'

The following officers are to be commended for looking beyond the initial stop. Each of these officers made at least one felony arrest during the period of February 17 through April 21, 2007. *(Editor's Note: This column excludes DWI arrests, warrant arrests, and "plain sight" situations. Keep in mind that there must be information under the "miscellaneous" section of the report to be considered for this column.)*

### Troop A

Tpr. A.J. Bell, 1 arrest  
Tpr. A.V. Dillon, 1 arrest  
Tpr. M.P. Fisher, 2 arrests  
Tpr. B.G. Graham, 1 arrest  
Cpl. B.S. Hagerty, 2 arrests  
Tpr. B.R. Lange, 2 arrests  
Tpr. S.S. Markert, 1 arrest  
Tpr. K.A. Schmutzler, 1 arrest  
Cpl. T.G. Sims, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.M. Toal, 1 arrest

### Troop B

Tpr. T.J. Adams, 1 arrest  
Tpr. E.F. Brown, 1 arrest  
Tpr. G.R. Fenton, 1 arrest  
Tpr. T.J. Hollmann, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.P. Johnson, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.E. Siegfried, 1 arrest

### Troop C

Tpr. S.M. Griggs, 1 arrest  
Tpr. E.R. Kriete, 2 arrests  
Tpr. J.M. Linegar, 2 arrests  
Tpr. A.H. Michajlczenko, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J. Piccinino, 1 arrest  
Tpr. T.R. Potter, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.B. Reed, 2 arrests  
Cpl. R.A. Seaton, 4 arrests

### Troop D

Tpr. M.D. Adams, 2 arrests  
Sgt. D.S. Green, 1 arrest  
Tpr. T.A. Hadlock, 1 arrest  
Cpl. T.L. Hall, 2 arrests\*  
CVO II R.L. Talbert, 2 assists\*  
Tpr. J.L. Mason, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.B. May, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.J. McBride, 1 arrest  
Cpl. M.T. Polodna, 1 arrest  
Tpr. K.J. Rutledge, 3 arrests  
Tpr. K.R. Sanders, 1 arrest  
Sgt. M.W. Watson, 1 arrest

### Troop E

Tpr. N.T. Bratton, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.W. Crank, 2 arrests

Cpl. T.W. Lee, 2 arrests  
Tpr. M.D. Lynch, 2 arrests  
Tpr. R.D. Owens, 1 arrest  
Tpr. M.G. Slaughter, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.S. Stewart, 4 arrests  
Tpr. R.A. Walker, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.L. Weadon, 1 arrest

### Troop F

Cpl. M.J. Broniec, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.L. Doza, 1 arrest  
Cpl. M.A. Halford, 1 arrest  
Cpl. P.D. Kerperin, 1 arrest  
Tpr. P.W. Meyers, 1 arrest  
Tpr. T.O. Mitchell, 1 arrest  
Tpr. M.E. Morice, 1 arrest  
Tpr. C.J. North, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.R. Powell, 2 arrests  
Tpr. D.E. Rogers, 3 arrests  
Tpr. T.D. Stegeman, 1 arrest  
Sgt. T.R. Tinnin, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.A. Veasman, 6 arrests

### Troop G

Cpl. J.S. Brumble, 2 arrests  
Tpr. S.N. Foster, 2 arrests  
Tpr. R.M. Greenan, 3 arrests  
Sgt. C.N. Ponder, 1 arrest

### Troop H

Sgt. L.M. Allen, 6 arrests  
Tpr. D.S. Christmas, 1 arrest  
Tpr. E.J. Ganime, 1 arrest  
Tpr. A.A. Henry, 1 arrest  
Tpr. J.S. Johnson, 1 arrest  
Tpr. W.S. Lashmet, 2 arrests  
Tpr. J.P. Lynch, 1 arrest  
Tpr. A.G. McAtee, 1 arrest  
Cpl. M.A. Wilhoit, 3 arrests

### Troop I

Tpr. J.W. Choate, 1 arrest  
Tpr. T.I. Goolsby, 1 arrest  
Tpr. D.K. Jones, 1 arrest  
Tpr. N.W. Mathews, 2 arrests  
Cpl. J.J. Whitt, 2 arrests



# Promotions and Reclassifications



Matthew B. Lindsey  
Captain  
Q/TND



Hanne D. Hicks  
Lieutenant  
Troop G



Jerry C. West  
Lieutenant  
Q/TND



Charles J. Day  
Sergeant  
Q/TND

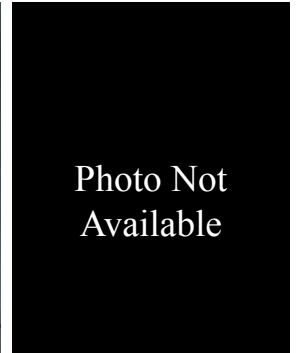


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Kevin L. Fender  
Sergeant  
Q/DDCC



Daniel W. Hinten  
Sergeant  
Troop G



Jeffery R. Kinder  
Sergeant  
Troop G

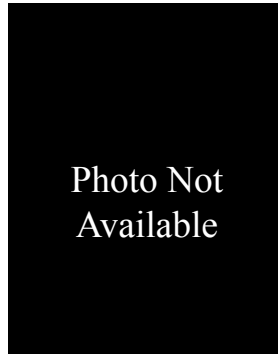


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Dwayne S. Reed  
Sergeant  
Q/DDCC



Mark A. Wilson  
Sergeant  
Q/TND



Edwin A. Blaylock  
Corporal  
Troop C



William W. Lowe  
Corporal  
Troop C



John D. Wheeler  
Corporal  
Troop G



Vinita K. Williams  
Chief  
Troop G



Kelly L. Bowman  
Radio Personnel  
Troop D



Eric B. Douglas  
Radio Personnel  
Troop D

# Promotions and Reclassifications



Mary A. Nelson  
Radio Personnel  
Troop E



Eric W. Presser  
Radio Personnel  
Troop G



Travis S. Bauer  
Auto. Serv. Asst. II  
Q/MED



Franklin V. Byers  
DE II  
Troop D



Stephen M. Conant  
MVI III  
Troop H



Jonna R. Farley  
Clerk Typist III  
Q/TND



Michelle J. Fooks  
CIT III  
Q/ISD



Tamra D. Freeman  
AFIS Entry Operator II  
Q/CRID



Linda A. Johnson  
CIT Spec. II  
Q/ISD



Dale S. Lawrence  
Criminalist Sprv.  
Q/CLD



Martha J. Sims  
DE III  
Troop G



Byron W. Sullivan  
Crim. Hist. Spec. I  
Q/CRID



Darrell J. Taube  
Buyer II  
Q/BPD

# Governor, Colonel Recognize Student

*By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED*

In a ceremony inside Governor Matt Blunt's office, Mr. Mitchell Hults was recognized as an honorary trooper for his assistance in locating kidnapping victim Ben Ownby. Colonel James F. Keathley, superintendent of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, presented Hults with the Honorary Trooper Certificates. Hults is a 15-year-old freshman at Union High School who lives in Beaufort, MO. On Monday January 8, 2007, he and Ownby were riding the same school bus.

When Hults heard Ownby had not arrived at his home after school, he came forward with a description of a vehicle he had noticed earlier. Hults was able to give detailed information about the truck, which led to law enforcement locating the truck. A suspect in Ownby's kidnapping was arrested and Ownby was rescued. In addition, a child who had been missing since 2002 was found in the same location and recovered.

Both children were reunited with their families on January 12, 2007. The



*Mr. Mitchell Hults accepts an Honorary Trooper Award from Col. James F. Keathley. Governor Matt Blunt hosted the presentation at the Missouri Capitol.*

Missouri State Highway Patrol's Division of Drug and Crime Control nominated Hults for an Honorary Trooper Award for his unselfish assistance and calm demeanor during a serious event.

His actions were undoubtedly the reason this investigation resulted in the safe return of two missing Missouri teenagers.

## KQ-2 TV Honors Three Troop H Members

*By Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H*

Three members of Troop H were honored for their work at the 7th annual KQ-2 TV and the Northwest Missouri Law Enforcement Awards For Valor dinner in St. Joseph. The campus of Missouri Western State University hosted the event.

Sergeant Larry M. Allen and Corporal Mark A. Wilhoit, who comprise the Troop H criminal interdiction team, were presented the Bronze Award for valor. The two troopers were recognized for their efforts in targeting the flow of illegal

drugs upon the highways of Northwest Missouri. A recent example of this is a vehicle stop the duo made where they discovered information that was passed on to state authorities in Minnesota. The Minnesota authorities used the information and seized 90 pounds of marijuana and \$41,000 in cash.

Trooper Lance M. Newman was also the recipient of the Bronze Award for valor following an incident that occurred in December 2005. Tpr. Newman responded to a structure fire at a residence in Nodaway County.

Upon arriving, he found the family standing outside their home and learned that smoke was filling the house from an unknown source. Tpr. Newman entered the house and determined the fire was in the laundry lying in the dining area. He picked up the basket of laundry and took it outside. His quick actions saved the family's home.

The actions of these officers reflect the commitment of the men and women of the Missouri State Highway Patrol to Missouri citizens. *Congratulations!*



## CONTEST SPICES UP GHQ

**By Traffic Safety Analyst Sandi K. Cole, Q/TFD**

The Law Enforcement Torch Run representatives at General Headquarters sponsored its 2nd annual Chili Cook-Off to benefit Special Olympics Missouri on February 16, 2007. Once again, the GHQ employees came through! Fourteen vied for titles in the mild and spicy categories. Six judges experienced a variety of tastes and temperatures. Held in the Academy gym, proceeds topped \$500 for GHQ with an additional \$125 from DDCC. (DDCC held one simultaneously because of their location off site.) Thanks to all who participated and congrats to the winners!

### DDCC

- 1st Place: The Violent Crime Support Unit using the "everybody make chili and combine it all" method.
- 2nd Place: David Glen, HIDTA coordinator.
- 3rd Place: Criminal Intel. Analyst I Erin C. Hug

### GHQ Mild Category

- 1st Place: Spec. Asst. Jenny L. Becker, FOB, for the second year in a row!
- 2nd Place: Crim. Hist. Spec I Chad J. Mengwasser, Q/CRID.

### GHQ Spicy Category

- 1st Place: Fingerprint Tech. II Julie L. Prenger, Q/CRID.
- 2nd Place: Fiscal & Budgetary Analyst III Jan L. Amsinger, Q/BPD.

*Big thanks to everyone who participated, cooked, baked, judged, and ate!*

## Weigh Station E-1 North Levelled

In April 2007, the Missouri Department of Transportation leveled weigh station E-1 North. This station was located on Interstate 57 in Charleston, MO. Considered an outbound scale, the station was closed approximately two years ago. The weigh station was opened in 1979.

Approximately four or five years ago, the weigh station southbound on Interstate 55 in Steele, MO, was closed and subsequently torn down. Both of these weigh stations led to states (Illinois and Arkansas) that had inbound scales entering their states. Illinois' weigh station is about 40 miles north on Interstate 57 and the Arkansas weigh station is across the state line on Interstate 55. Troop E currently has three weigh stations still open, and they all are located coming into the state.



*CVO II H. Steven Carlyle, Troop E, stands next to a leveled E-1 North weigh station.*

## Troop A's Top Ten List



*On April 12, 2007, during the April sergeant's meeting, Captain Vincent J. Ellis, commanding officer, recognized the "Top Ten DWI Arrest Officers in Troop A for 2006". Trooper Eric R. Kolb led Troop A with 106 DWI arrests followed by Trooper Casey E. Utterback (73), Trooper Justin D. Johnston (73), Trooper Andy J. Bell (72), Trooper Brian D. McCrary (69), Trooper Mindy M. Gordon (63), Corporal Jon D. Hulse (62), Trooper Seth D. Isringhausen (57), Trooper Chris R. Blackmon (49), Trooper Shawn M. Campbell (45). Available for a photo were: (front row, l to r) Tpr. Hulse, Capt. Ellis, (back row, l to r) Tpr. Isringhausen, Tpr. Gordon, Tpr. Utterback, Tpr. McCrary, Tpr. Bell, Tpr. Johnston, and Tpr. Kolb. (Tpr. Blackmon and Tpr. Campbell were unavailable for photo.) Great work!*

# Troop H Reaches Out To Friends

**By Sgt. Sheldon A. Lyon, Troop H**

Retired CVO Supervisor Rick Dalrymple was one of the finest commercial vehicle officers to work in the Troop H area. Recently, his daughter, Stefanie, became sick due to her failing kidneys. Because of Stefanie's dialysis and other medical treatments, she is no longer able to work. When the employees of Troop H heard about the situation, they decided to create a fund to assist the family with expenses. On March 20, 2007, the Troop H staff and Chief CVO Martha A. McCartney drove to the Rock Port Diner in Rock Port, MO, where they had the pleasure of presenting Rick with a check in the amount of \$2,125. A local resident who was inside the restaurant at the time overheard the conversation about Stephanie's condition, and donated an additional \$50 dollars! The employees



*(from l to r) Captain Johnnie B. Hoggatt, Chief CVO Martha A. McCartney, Lt. Charles E. McCrary, and Lt. James E. McDonald presented a donation to retired CVO Sprv. and Mrs. Rick Dalrymple to help their daughter, Stefanie, during her illness.*

of Troop H wish Stefanie a speedy recovery and are proud to have a friend like Rick!

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## Missouri State Highway Patrol Reaccredited

**By Research and Development Division**

The Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, Inc. (CALEA) reaccredited the Missouri State Highway Patrol at its fall conference banquet in Reno, NV, on Saturday evening, November 18, 2006. This marks the fourth time the Patrol has been reviewed successfully and then approved for reaccreditation. The Patrol has maintained its accredited status since 1992, when it became the 11th state law enforcement agency to become accredited.

"Being recognized as an agency that embraces internationally accepted standards for the delivery of high quality law enforcement services is an important distinction for the Missouri State Highway Patrol. We look forward to our continued affiliation with CALEA," said Colonel James F. Keathley, superintendent of the Patrol.

CALEA also recognized the Missouri State Highway Patrol as a flagship agency during the conference. The Flagship Agency Recognition



*Representatives of CALEA (far left and far right) stand with (left to right) Major Robert E. Bloomberg, Q/TSB; Captain Timothy G. Baysinger, Q/RDD; Sergeant William R. Lowry, Q/RDD; and Colonel James F. Keathley, superintendent of the Patrol.*

Program was introduced by CALEA in 2004, to acknowledge the achievement and expertise of some of the most successful CALEA-accredited public safety agencies, and also to provide "flagship examples" to assist other agencies.

Approximately 1,000 representatives from law enforcement and other public safety agencies throughout the United States, Canada, Mexico, Barbados, British Virgin Islands, and Bermuda attended the conference.



# Sgt. Funderburk Outsmarts Cable Guy

**By MVI III Charles McMillan, Troop D**

Sergeant Matthew K. Funderburk was stationary in the crossover on Interstate 44, east of U.S. Highway 60 in Greene County. He saw a white, Ford 500 flatbed truck going eastbound on I-44, but did not see any license plates. When he caught up to the vehicle, he saw what appeared to be a paper, temporary license, but it was covered with snow and couldn't be read. Sgt. Funderburk followed the vehicle as it exited onto Missouri Highway 13 and got in line at a gas station. He then noticed it had an expired, temporary permit on the windshield.

The passenger rolled the window down and showed him some paperwork. Sgt. Funderburk asked them to pull over in a parking lot nearby and they complied. He made contact with the driver, who spoke broken English. The driver presented an Arizona title, an Arkansas driver's license, and another temporary permit for the vehicle. After having difficulty conversing with the driver, Sgt. Funderburk began talking with the passenger.

He asked the gentleman to come back to his patrol vehicle, which he did. The passenger said he didn't really know the driver. He said they were going to a cattle ranch with the cable that was in the back of the truck, but



*Chief Warren D. Reynolds uses a chain saw to cut into a spool of high gauge cable.*

*The inside of the spool held marijuana, confirming Sgt. Matthew Funderburk's suspicions.*



he didn't know where the ranch was located.

Sgt. Funderburk looked at the bed of the truck and saw two large, wooden spools of high gauge cable coated with black grease. The spools had been spray painted black. His first impression was this wasn't proper for fence building.

When Sgt. Funderburk explained to the passenger that he had never seen cable like that used for a cattle fence, the passenger became ex-

tremely nervous. He didn't make eye contact and he began breathing more rapidly. Sgt. Funderburk said he was suspicious the spools may contain something illegal hidden in them.

At this time, the passenger spilled his guts. He began singing like a gilded canary. He stated there were drugs inside. The passenger said he was getting paid \$5,000 to help drive the truck and was told there was marijuana in the spool, but didn't know how much else.

Sgt. Funderburk told the passenger to have the driver follow him to Troop D Headquarters for further investigation. Upon arriving at Troop D, Sgt. Funderburk drilled a hole into the large wooden spool and found a cellophane bundle containing the illegal drug. At this time, he placed the driver and passenger under arrest and turned them over to DDCC.

A total of 18 bundles weighing approximately 465 pounds of marijuana were found.



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# Spotlight

## Tpr. J. Alex Lacey



**Appointed:** October 17, 2004.

**First Assignment:** Troop E, Zone 11, Stoddard County.

**Current Assignment:** Troop E, Zone 11, Stoddard County.

**Family:** Alex is married to Adriane (King), of Jackson, MO, and the couple has two children: Erin, 8, and Jack, 3. Adriane is an orthodontic assistant in Cape Girardeau, MO. The Lacey's are currently living in Advance, MO.

**Hobbies:** Alex is a sports enthusiast and enjoys watching baseball and football, but spends much of his time with his son, Jack, watching him play with his toy John Deere tractors. Alex and his family attend First Assembly of God Church in Cape Girardeau, MO.

Alex is a native of Jackson, MO, and graduated from Jackson High School in 1998. After graduating, Alex was employed at the Auffenberg Chrysler Car Dealership in Cape Girardeau, MO, in the parts department. Alex attended the Southeast Missouri University Law Enforcement Academy during 2001 and 2002. After graduation from the academy Alex was employed by the Jackson Police Department prior to his appointment with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Alex is proud of his career choice with the Missouri State Highway Patrol, and enjoys the family atmosphere that exists and the many friends he

has made in the past two years. Alex enjoys his work and is committed to removing every drunk driver from the roadway that he possibly can. Alex enjoys being able to work so close to his home county, but someday would like to return to live and work in Cape Girardeau County.

## CVO II Larry E. Masterson



**Appointed:** September 15, 1992.

**First Assignment:** Scale House E-2 North, Steele, MO.

**Current Assignment:** Scale House E-2 North, Steele, MO.

**Family:** Larry is from Senath, MO, and graduated from high school there in 1962. Larry has been

married to Linda Sue Dove since October 13, 1962, and the couple still reside in Senath. He and his wife have two daughters: Kim Rene Startup, of Nashville, TN, and Susan Carol Masterson, of Jonesboro, AR. The couple has two grandsons: Matthew Edward Startup, 13, and Stephen Tyler Startup, 11.

**Hobbies:** Larry is an avid crappie fisherman, and spends much of his time off crappie fishing at Reelfoot Lake just across the state line in Tennessee. Larry also enjoys watching baseball, but really focuses on the St. Louis Cardinals.

Larry has been and continues to be a dedicated employee. He is always eager to accept special assignments, such as school bus inspections, safety/interdiction special checks, and helping at the SEMO District Fair. Larry works well with others and is always willing to help when needed. Larry has made several outstanding drug interdiction stops: On February 15, 2004, he located 660 pounds of marijuana, and on September 3, 2004, he found 2,467 pounds of marijuana. Larry has also been a field training officer on four different occasions.

## WHAT DID HE JUST SAY?

*By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D*

Trooper Donald M. Ivie was working a one vehicle, 10-50 (motor vehicle accident). He was gathering information when the driver asked if he could answer his cell phone. Tpr. Ivie said he could. He overheard the driver speaking with his sister saying that he was getting ready to be arrested for a DWI. While Tpr. Ivie would have determined that point in the process of the investigation, it was convenient for him to have the driver admit his transgression.

# Radiothon Sets Record

*By Troop A*

On March 8, 2007, Troop A personnel partnered with troopers from the Kansas Highway Patrol in the Rocket and Teresa's Mix for Kids 2007 Radiothon held at Children's Mercy Hospital, in Kansas City, MO. The radiothon, hosted by Children's Miracle Network, was their most successful ever, raising \$559,000! All of the proceeds from the radiothon will remain in the Kansas City community and will be used to support pediatric care and services provided by the University of Kansas Medical Center Pediatrics Department and Children's Mercy Hospitals and Clinics.



*(front row) Chief CVO James E. VanZant, Sgt. Clark N. Stratton, Cpl. Casey O. Tubbs, Tpr. Rebecca L. Eagan, (back row) Sgt. Bruce M. Johnson, and two members of the Kansas Highway Patrol answer phones and record pledges at a recent radiothon for "Children's Miracle Network".*

# Golf Tournament To Benefit COPS Spouses

The first ever Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) Spouses Benefit Golf Tournament will be held Friday, July 20, 2007, at the Bent Creek Golf Course in Jackson, MO. The goal of this tournament is to raise money and awareness for the COPS Spouses program. It is hoped this will become an annual event. COPS is a nationwide organization, with headquarters in Camdenton, MO, which provides resources to assist in rebuilding lives of the families of law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty.

The entry fee is \$300 per four person team. Entry fee includes dinner, beverages, and a T-shirt. Prizes will be awarded for longest drive, closest to pin, longest putt, and hole-in-one. Please contact tournament coordinators Pulaski County Conservation Agent Aaron Pondrom at [apondrom@cablemo.net](mailto:apondrom@cablemo.net) or 573-528-5329; or Cape Girardeau County Conservation Agent Darin Pettit at [pettitd75@netzero.net](mailto:pettitd75@netzero.net) or 573-243-0962, for a registration flyer and more information.



## COPS Calendar

### Adult Children's Retreat:

Dates: June 15-18  
Facility: YMCA Trout Lodge  
Location: Shirley, MO

### "C.O.P.S. Kids" Camp:

Dates: July 30-August 5  
Facility: Salvation Army Lake Camp  
Location: East Troy, WI

### Outward Bound

#### Adventure:

Dates: July 30-August 5  
Facility: Colorado River Rafting Trip  
Location: Grand Junction, CO

### Siblings Retreat:

Dates: September 7-10  
Facility: YMCA Trout Lodge  
Location: Shirley, MO

### Spouses Retreat:

Dates: September 21-24  
Facility: YMCA Trout Lodge  
Location: Shirley, MO

### Parents Retreat:

Dates: October 5-8  
Facility: C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Center  
Location: Little Rock, AR

### In-Laws Retreat:

Dates: October 12-15  
Facility: YMCA Trout Lodge  
Location: Shirley, MO

### Fiances/Significant

#### Others Retreat:

Dates: August 17-20, 2007  
Facility: Crowne Plaze Hotel  
Location: St. Louis, MO

For more information, visit [www.nationalcops.org](http://www.nationalcops.org) or call 573-346-4911.

## DE Training Pays Off!

By Chief DE Sheryl L. Curtis, Troop D

On April 26, 2007, an applicant appeared at the Park Central DE Station to acquire a Missouri commercial driver's license. He presented to DE III Daniel L. Boyd the following items for identification: an expired Arkansas license and an out-of-state birth certificate. The applicant also had a friend with him. Due to the fraudulent document training received by all examiners, DE III Boyd immediately noticed the Arkansas license was abnormal.

The applicant and his friend appeared to be very nervous during DE III Boyd's examination of the presented Arkansas driver's license. DE III Boyd asked applicant if he had a valid license, to which he responded he had lost it. The examiner then asked from which state the license had been issued. The applicant stated it was a Kansas license and everything was clear now. The applicant and his friend appeared to become even more nervous at this point.

DE III Boyd proceeded to explain to the applicant the requirements of testing. Since he did not have a valid license, the applicant would have to take the Class F written and driving tests along with the written CDL tests in order to receive the CDL permit. The applicant was allowed to begin the testing process. DE III Boyd then called Troop D to have a computer check run on the applicant. There were warrants on him out of Howell County. The warrants were for assault, fraud, and insufficient funds. Trooper Shane R. Monk was notified. Tpr. Monk went to Park Central and arrested the applicant without incident.

DE III Boyd's professionalism, application of his training, and his ability to continue the process without alarm to anyone is just another example of the quality of people employed in the driver's examination area of the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Outstanding, DE III Boyd!

## Grounds For Arrest! Traffic Stop Yields Cocaine

By MVI III Charles G. McMillan, Troop D

Corporal Thomas L. Hall was operating stationary radar on Interstate 44 west of Missouri Highway 13 when he checked an eastbound Chevrolet Impala doing 66 in a 60mph zone.

Cpl. Hall contacted the driver, who introduced himself as being from New York as evidenced by the presentation of his New York driver's license. He stated the vehicle was a rental. The rental agreement showed it was a one-way rental from the Phoenix, AZ, airport.

When Cpl. Hall asked specific questions about his trip, the driver avoided eye contact, his voice quivered, and the pitch of his voice changed. Perhaps he was feeling guilty about something ... The driver stated his uncle was a police officer in New York, and that he had not been stopped by the police his entire trip.

Cpl. Hall asked for permission to search the vehicle. The driver just sank down in his seat and became overly fidgety. He then said that he didn't really want Cpl. Hall to search the vehicle.

*(What was that? Oh, yeah, a red flag and bells going off! Please don't search my vehicle ... you might find something I am carrying that would get me arrested, sir!)*

Cpl. Hall got his Patrol canine, Evan, to perform an exterior sniff. Evan alerted on the rolled down front passenger window. When the driver was confronted with that he admitted to smoking a joint in the car, but that there wasn't any left. Cpl. Hall now had a legal right to search the vehicle based upon his canine indicating an illegal substance.

Cpl. Hall opened the trunk and found one item, a large duffel bag. In the duffel bag were some clothes and coffee grounds ... covering two bundles ... which appeared to be cocaine. *(When this guy takes a coffee break he likes his jo strong!)*

Cpl. Hall arrested the driver for possession of cocaine and Mirandized him, which he stated he understood. Cpl. Hall asked if there was about a pound of cocaine in the trunk. The driver acknowledged by nodding his head and saying, "Yeah."

The two bundles tested positive for cocaine and were placed into evidence. The vehicle was released to the driver after he posted a \$50,000 bond.

## How Others See Us ...

Recently, my sister, brother-in-law, and myself were traveling north on Highway 13 near Collins, MO. We noticed a state trooper changing a tire for an older couple on the other side of the highway. I mentioned how the troopers don't get enough credit for all the nice things they do above and beyond the call of duty. My brother-in-law turned around and went back, where we met Cpl. W. Mitch Bush, who was changing a tire. While talking to the couple, the lady mentioned her husband had been a Kansas state trooper.

Thanks to Cpl. Bush for taking time to assist this couple. And, thanks to all the troopers who take extra time to help people on our highways.

Ret. DE Sprv. Ruby Williams  
Lee's Summit





# Press Conference Introduces CVETs

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

At press conferences held April 2 and 3, 2007, members of the media were introduced to the first two teams of commercial vehicle enforcement troopers (CVETs). Held at General Headquarters and Troop D, respectively, those in attendance were told 12 additional CVETs would be added this fall. Colonel James F. Keathley, superintendent of the Patrol, explained the eight CVETs were chosen from 30 applications. A similar application and interview process is planned for choosing the additional officers.

In this new position, the troopers retain the authority to make arrests for moving violations and criminal or drug activity. Their main focus will be commercial motor vehicles. However, these troopers also will act as first responders to Homeland Security events.

A lot of complaints from the public are about commercial motor vehicles on our roadways," said Col. Keathley. "In the 1980s, there were 300,000 motor carriers in the United States. Now, there are 700,000."

Colonel Keathley also expressed appreciation to Senator Bill Stouffer and Representative Danie Moore for their support of this new program. Sen. Stouffer spoke at the news conference, saying, "This is an opportunity to have more presence on the road, to curtail aggressive driving, and to



*Pictured is the press conference at Troop D Headquarters on April 3, 2007.*

improve safety on our roadways. The homeland security benefits are tremendous."

Leanna Depue, director of the Highway Safety Division within the Missouri Department of Transportation, expressed her appreciation to Col. Keathley for his vision in expanding the MCSAP program. "I feel this program will help us reach our state-

wide goal of 1,000 or fewer fatalities in 2008."

The Troop D CVET team includes Sgt. Jeffrey B. Johnson, Cpl. Shannon W. Crouch, Trooper Robert B. Byrnes, and Trooper Eddie J. Walker. The Troop F CVET team includes Sgt. Roger D. Shikles, Cpl. Ronald D. Kyle, Tpr. Neil R. Atkinson, and Tpr. Shawn M. Campbell.

## Congratulations Flannery Family!

Tpr. Allen R. and Mrs. Karen M. Flannery are proud to announce three additions to their family: Terry Allen (age 11), Thomas George (age 5), and Trevor William (age 3)! The adoption took place on March 30, 2007. Welcome to the family, fellas!

## TRAFFIC FATALITIES

Year to Date Mar. 31, 2007	Same Period Last Year Year to Date	Number of Increase or Decrease	2005 Traffic Fatalities	2006 Traffic Fatalities
369	459	-90	1257	1096

**Note: These totals do not include late deaths.**

# Retirements

## Lt. P. Mike Mulholland



After 36 years of dedicated service, Lt. P. Mike Mulholland retired from the Missouri State Highway Patrol on May 1, 2007.

Mike was born in Moberly, MO, and graduated from Moberly High School in 1966. After earning an associate's degree from Moberly Junior College, he graduated from Northeast Missouri State University in Kirksville, MO, with a bachelor's degree in business administration. Mike was appointed to the Patrol in May 1971, and graduated at the top of his class. His first assignment was Troop A, Lafayette County.

In 1978, he was promoted to corporal and assigned to Jackson County. He was promoted to sergeant in 1981 and designated zone commander of Jackson County. Mike returned to Lafayette County as a zone sergeant in 1982, and transferred to Troop A Headquarters in 1993. He was promoted to lieutenant and assigned to Troop D, Springfield, in 2002. It is from this position Mike retires.

Mike has served in several different capacities during his career on the Patrol. He was a member of Troops A and D SWAT, the Midwest Rural Major Case Squad, and was an accident reconstructionist. He also served as assistant detail commander at the Missouri State Fair in Sedalia, MO, from 1996 through 2001. Mike participated in many manhunts throughout the

state, which led to the arrest of several fugitives.

Mike is married to Judith (Moore) and combined they have three children: Brad, Jamayla, and Valerie.

We wish Mike a long, healthy retirement

## Lt. Eric S. Wilhoit



On December 1, 2006, after more than 26 years of dedicated service, Lieutenant Eric (Rick) S. Wilhoit retired as a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. Rick served the citizens of Missouri in a variety of enforcement positions during his memorable career. He began his career with the Patrol on January 1, 1980, as a member of the 51st Recruit Class. Upon graduating from the Academy, Rick was sent to Troop I, where he received his initial zone assignment in Cuba, MO. On November 15, 1985, while assisting in a barricaded subject incident in Crawford County, Rick was shot and wounded by the wanted suspect.

On June 1, 1986, Rick transferred from Troop I to Troop F and was assigned to Zone 11 in Eldon, MO. In 1988, Rick was involved in what could be classified as a serious patrol car crash when the vehicle he was driving left the roadway and overturned several times down a steep embankment. At the time of the crash, Rick was en route to the Hermann, MO, area to assist in a manhunt for a Cole County escapee. On September 1, 1990, Rick was promoted to corporal and was

named the assistant zone commander of Zone 5 in Miller and Camden counties.

On October 1, 1993, Rick became one of the first members to be assigned to the newly created Riverboat Gaming Unit within the Division of Drug and Crime Control. On May 1, 1994, the Gaming Unit was transferred into the Gaming Division. On February 1, 1995, Rick was promoted to sergeant and served as supervisor for the Background Investigation Team within the Gaming Division. While assigned to the Background Investigation Team, Rick had the opportunity to travel to various places of interest conducting investigations on companies attempting to bring their gaming operations to the state of Missouri.

On February 1, 1999, Rick was promoted to lieutenant and remained assigned to the Gaming Division as an assistant director. On January 1, 2004, Rick transferred from the Gaming Division to the Professional Standards Division, and was assigned as the assistant director of that division. He remained in the Professional Standards Division until his retirement.

Rick is married to Claire A. (Partridge), and they have two sons: Nathan Thomas and Walker John, who are both married. Rick and Claire are excited and anxiously awaiting the birth of their first grandchild. The Professional Standards Division wishes the very best to Rick and his family.

## A PICTURE IS WORTH 1,000 WORDS

This sign is in Daviess County on Missouri Route 6. Thanks to Chief Roger Heard, Troop H, for sending in this picture of "Investigation Junction".







# Retirements

## Sgt. Miles S. Parks

On March 1, 2007, Sergeant Miles S. Parks retired as a member of the Missouri State Highway Patrol after 38 years and nine months of dedicated service to the citizens of the state of Missouri. He has the distinction of serving longer than any officer in the history of the Highway Patrol.

Miles began his career with the Highway Patrol on June 1, 1968, when he reported to the Highway Patrol Academy in Rolla, MO. He was a member of the last class to attend the Patrol Academy in Rolla prior to the Academy being moved to Jefferson City. His first assignment was in Troop A, Cass County, Harrisonville.

In 1976, he transferred to Troop H, St. Joseph. In 1981, he was selected as polygraphist for Troop H and attended the National Training Center for Polygraph Science in New York City. On June 1, 1982, he was promoted to the rank of corporal; then on May 1, 1984, he was promoted to sergeant. In 1990, Miles transferred to Troop D as a criminal investigator, the position he held until his retirement, and was stationed in Carthage, MO.



*Sgt. Miles Parks, Q/DDCC, talks to a motorist. Miles, a criminal investigator, decided to "go out the way he came in". Thus, he donned his uniform and worked the road on his last day as a member of the Patrol.*

Miles was born and spent his early years in Corpus Christi, Texas. He loves telling stories about attending school with future movie star, Farrah Fawcett. During his high school years the Parks family relocated to Cole Camp, MO. Miles graduated from Cole Camp High School in 1965. From 1965 through 1968, he attended Central Missouri State University in Warrensburg, MO, majoring in criminal justice and sociology.

Miles is married to Mary (Schnackenberg), a native of Cole Camp. They have a son, Lane, who lives in Edmond, OK, and a daughter, Leta, who lives in Fairway, KS. They also have three granddaughters.

Congratulations, Miles! May your retirement be long and one of good health!

## Tech. Field Eng. Randy H. Bassham



Technical Field Engineer Randy H. Bassham retired March 31, 2007, after 27 years and three months of service with the Missouri State Highway Patrol.

Randy began his career on January 1, 1980, as a probationary radio operator in Troop D, Springfield. In June 1981, he was promoted to radio and telecommunications technician. He transferred to Troop E, Poplar Bluff, in February 1983. In 1990, he became the MULES trainer for Troop

E and was promoted to technical field engineer in September 1994.

Randy was born in Polar Bluff, MO, and graduated from Poplar Bluff Senior High School in 1968. He attended LeTourneau College in Longview, Texas, for two years. In 1986, he attended General Electric Technical College in Lynchburg, VA.

Randy and his wife, Anita, have two children: Jill Stephens, of Denver, CO, and Christopher Bassham, of Cape Girardeau, MO.

Randy's plans are to restore radios and his 1948 Dodge. He and his wife would like just to get in their convertible and travel. But, most of all, Randy says, "I plan to do whatever my wife tells me to do."

Randy's father, Grady Bassham, was the assistant chief radio operator for Troop E for many years, and his sister, Jean Burns, is a telecommunicator for Troop E at the present time. It is obvious that communications is a big part of the Bassham family.

## June

June 12



June 13



June 14



June 17

June 20



- **Tpr. W.R. Brandt** died in 1970.
- **Tpr. D.H. Marriott** died in 1981.
- **Sgt. B.O. Booth** died in 1933.
- **Father's Day.**
- **Patrol News** articles due.

## July

July 4



July 13



- **Independence Day**
- **Tpr. J.N. Greim** died in 1945.

# Honoring Our Heroes: A Look At Traditions

By Public Info. Spec. III Cheryl D. Cobb, Q/PIED

May is a time to remember our fallen heroes. Communities across the nation will do so during special ceremonies. While each ceremony is unique, there are certain traditions within the law enforcement community that are familiar. Where did these traditions come from, and how did they become so meaningful?

## *The Riderless Horse*

In the stirrups of the riderless horse rests reversed boots, a practice symbolizing a warrior who will ride no more. According to various traditions, the horse is provided to bear the “warrior” or leader to the next life. The riderless horse is not just a tradition, it is an ancient ritual predating our nation by perhaps a millennium. Genghis Khan was said to have been buried with this symbolic act. In more recent times, four presidents, at least one governor, law enforcement officers, firefighters killed on September 11, 2001, members of the military, and others have been honored with the riderless horse.

## *Firing Three Rifle Volleys*

The practice of firing three rifle volleys over a grave originated in the old custom of halting the fighting to remove the dead from the battlefield. Once each army had cleared its dead, it would fire three volleys to indicate the dead had been cared for and they were ready to resume fighting. The fact that the firing party consists of seven riflemen firing three volleys does not constitute a 21-gun salute.

## *21-Gun Salute*

In the earliest days, seven guns was a recognized British national salute. Those early regulations stated that, although a ship could fire only seven guns, the forts could fire for honors three shots to one shot afloat. In that day, powder of sodium nitrate was easier to keep on shore than at sea. In time, when the quality of gun powder improved by the use of potas-

sium nitrate, the sea salute was made equal to the shore salute—21 guns—as the highest national honor.

There was much confusion caused by the varying customs of maritime states, but finally, the British government proposed to the United States a regulation that provided for “salute to be returned gun for gun”. At that time, the British considered the international salute to be 21 guns, and the United States adopted the 21-gun and “gun for gun return” on August 17, 1875.

(Prior to that time, our national salute was one gun for each state. By the admission of states to the Union, the salute reached 21 guns by 1818. In 1841, the national salute was reduced to 21 guns. In fact, the 1875 adoption of the British suggestion was a formal announcement that the United States recognized 21 guns as an international salute.)

## *Cannon Salutes*

The custom of firing cannon salutes originated in the British Navy. When a cannon was fired, it partially disarmed the ship. Therefore, firing a cannon in salute symbolizes respect and trust.

## *Bagpipes*

In the mid-1880s, many Irish immigrants found work as firefighters and policemen in the larger U.S. cities. They brought with them their musical traditions, including the bagpipes. It was only natural this instrument be used in ceremonies and at funerals for the department.

Chief Roger M. Heard, Troop H, has served as bagpiper at the Patrol’s awards ceremony and for the funerals of fallen troopers. He has played also at Missouri’s Law Enforcement Memorial ceremony. The funeral of Sgt. Robert G. Kimberling, Troop H, was the first time Chief Heard played officially. Unfortunately, it was not his last ...

## *Taps*

The haunting notes of this song can be heard at funerals and memorial ser-

vices. In recent history, Radio Personnel Ila R. Duvall, Troop A, or Sgt. Allan C. Heseman, Q/RDD, has served as bugler for official Patrol funerals. The history of this tune is unclear. Taps is commonly attributed to Union General David Butterfield, who asked his bugler to rewrite the call for “Lights Out” during the Civil War. The tune became known as Taps, because it was often tapped out on a drum in the absence of a bugler.

## *The Missing Man Formation*

This formation by aircraft can be flown with the wingman spiraling off into the great beyond or with space where a fallen pilot should be. Originally known as the “Fly Past”, it was first performed by the British during World War I. At that time, it was a private affair. Returning aircrews used the formation to signal their losses as they returned. During World War II, it evolved into a ceremonial tradition.

The U.S. first used the tradition in 1938. A ceremony including aircraft flying overhead, but not following the formal description of the “Missing Man Formation” may be referred to as a flyover. The Patrol’s Aircraft Division provided a flyover during the funerals of Sergeant David C. May (1999) and Trooper Ralph C. Tatoian (2005). Patrol pilots performed a missing man formation at the funeral of Cpl. J.A. “Jay” Sampietro Jr. Other ceremonies including Patrol aircraft were the funeral of Columbia Police Officer Molly Bowden and the 2006 Missouri Law Enforcement Memorial ceremony. Aircraft salutes may include more than one police agency.

## *Honor Guard*

In the dictionary, honor is defined as “high respect, as that shown for special merit”. Guard is defined as “to protect from harm by or as if by watching over”. Patrol honor guards show high respect by keeping watch over our deceased heroes.

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## —Heroes

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The Patrol's General Order 54-04, directs an honor guard to include six members of approximately the same height, and says members of similar height should be paired with one another. A Patrol honor guard wears the Class A uniform, and is present at all times when the place of visitation is open for family and friends to pay respects to the deceased.

The members of the honor guard take their positions at the same time, face the assembly, come to attention, then assume a position of parade rest. They come to attention prior to being relieved, which is normally every 15 minutes. Once a funeral begins,

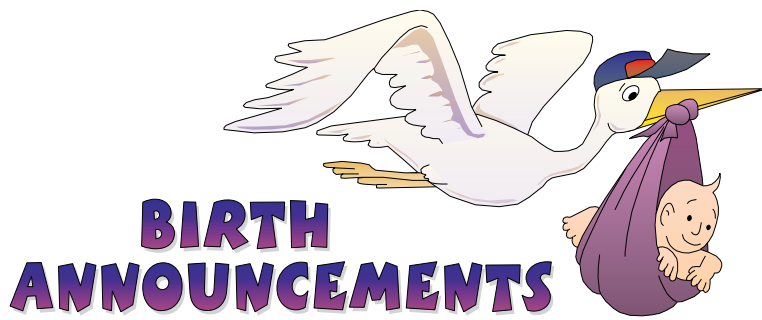
members of the honor guard take their seats and remove their hats. (Note: When the family wishes for time alone with the deceased, the honor guard leaves the room.)

### *The Last Call*

The last tribute paid to a trooper killed in the line of duty is named "the last call". This part of the ceremony is the formal ending of the fallen trooper's tour of duty. Radio personnel from the local troop headquarters acknowledge this with the officer's badge number, 10-42, the time, and the troop signoff. The last call is heard at the end of the graveside service. It is broadcast from the troop over the fallen trooper's car radio.

### *Experiencing Grief*

There is no single way to grieve. Everyone—spouse, child, parent, sibling, coworker, friend—is different and each person grieves in his or her own way. However, some stages of grief are commonly experienced by people who are bereaved. These stages are: denial, anger, bargaining, depression, and acceptance. A person may experience some or all of these stages, and grieving may take a year ... or two ... or more. Being aware of these stages can help in the grieving process. Concerns of Police Survivors (COPS) provides a number of opportunities for families and coworkers to grieve the loss of a law enforcement officer. Visit [www.nationalcops.org](http://www.nationalcops.org) for more information or call 573-346-4911. Another resource would be your local Patrol Chaplain.



#### *Keiton Adam*

Recruit Adam N. and Mrs. Becky E. Miller  
Q/TND

#### *Silas Scott*

Mr. Scott L. and Information Analyst Jennifer J. Call  
Q/DDCC

#### *Gavin Lee*

Tpr. Adam G. and Mrs. Brook N. McAtee  
Troop H

#### *Calan Edward*

Tpr. Tyler R. and Mrs. Meghan A. Jenkins  
Troop C

#### *Adam*

Tpr. Andrew A. and Mrs. Donna L. Armstrong  
Troop F

#### *Mia*

Mr. Rich C. and Criminalist III Dawn R. Kliethermes  
Q/CLD

#### *Alexander Tyler*

Tpr. Alexander H. and Mrs. Toni L. Michajliczenko  
Troop C

#### *Addalyn Kate*

Radio Personnel Justin K. and Mrs. Rebekah D. Parks  
Troop B

#### *Blair Emily*

Tpr. Shannon S. and Mrs. Gena L. Sitton  
Troop C

#### *Sydney Addison*

Tpr. Keith A. and Mrs. Shelly A. Almond  
Troop E

#### *Samuel Ray*

Tpr. Joseph S. and Mrs. Leann M.B. Baughman  
Troop C

#### *Nolan Leo*

Cpl. Nathan J. and Mrs. Deborah A. Shinkle  
Troop B

#### *William Hudson*

Mr. Paul P. and CIT III Jessica L. Moyer  
Q/ISD



# New Employees



Paula J. Price  
Prob. Radio Personnel  
Troop F



Alexander Belt  
Criminalist I  
Q/CLD



Mary Ann Bohning  
AFIS Entry Oper. I  
Q/CRID



Shena R. Brown  
Clerk Typist III  
Troop G



Rhonda C. Bruemmer  
Sr. Office Support Asst.  
Q/GD



Janet L. Davis  
Criminalist I  
Q/CLD



Marlena K. Dowell  
Office Support Asst.  
Q/GD



Jennifer L.  
Dudenhoeffer  
Clerk Typist III  
Troop F



Doris K. Faulkner  
Housekeeper I  
Troop I



Michele L. Grimp  
AFIS Entry Oper. I  
Q/CRID



Patricia A. Hatchett  
UCR Trainer/QA  
Auditor  
Q/CRID



Monique J. Hokanson  
DE I  
Troop I



Jennifer L. Moeller  
Food Service I  
Q/TND



David F. Roark  
CIT III  
Q/ISD

# Anniversaries

## June

*35 years*

Criminalist Sprv. David F.  
Nanneman, Q/CLD

*30 years*

Sgt. David M. Markham, Troop  
E  
Director James C. Biggerstaff,  
Q/CommD

*25 years*

CVO Sprv. II Kathleen M. Berry,  
Troop C  
Asst. Director Rhonda L. Czar-  
necki, Q/DE

*20 years*

Fingerprint Tech. Sprv. Connie L.  
Daniels, Q/CRID

*15 years*

CDL Exam. Aud. Diane L. Stark,  
Troop F

*10 years*

Crim. Hist. Tech. II Julie A. Lay-  
man, Q/CRID  
Crim. Hist. Tech. II Linda S. Lin-  
nenbrink, Q/CRID  
UCR Trainer/Qual. Assur. Aud.  
Wendell L. Mitchell, Q/CRID  
Clerk Typist III Jodie A. Payne,  
Troop D  
Clerk Typist III Tena M. Von-  
Thun, Troop B  
Juv. & Missing Pers. Liaison  
Darlene M. Crocker, Q/DDCC

*5 years*

Clerk Typist III Peggy L. Brook-  
shire, Troop I  
Clerk Typist III Jennifer L.  
Hulse, Troop A  
Bldg. & Grnds. Maint. Sprv. Roy  
L. Rackers, Q/CMD  
Cpl. Michael E. Broniec, Troop C  
Tpr. Roger D. Ogden, Troop A  
MVI III James M. Rothgeb,  
Troop G  
Crim. Intel. Analysis I, Ruth E.  
Swisher, Q/DDCC  
Crim. Hist. Spec. II Linda S.  
Vercelli, Q/CRID  
Fingerprint Tech. II Patricia D.  
Dodson, Q/CRID  
AFIS Entry Oper. III Brenda M.  
Eickhorst, Q/CRID

Lab. Recs. & Evid. Control Clerk  
III Margaret K. Allen, Troop G  
MVI III Terry G. Mebruer,  
Troop C

## July

*35 years*

Capt. Vincent J. Ellis, Troop A  
Capt. Johnnie B. Hoggatt, Troop H  
Capt. Billy R. Nelson, Q/DE

*30 years*

Admin. Office Support Asst.  
Marcia J. Ledford, Troop A

*25 years*

Admin. Office Support Asst.  
Nancy E. Lock, Troop H  
Chief Dennis M. McCarthy,  
Troop A  
CIT III Jerry L. Robinette, Q/ISD  
CVO Sprv. I Roger L. Woodhurst,  
Troop B  
CVO II John L. Allen, Troop C

*20 years*

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Cpl. Bryan C. Gruben, Q/FOB  
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Tpr. Chad M. Hunter, Q/GD  
Tpr. Amanda J. Kahler, Troop D  
Clerk Typist III Vickie L. Kanat-  
zar, Troop H

Tpr. Clinton S. Mason, Troop D  
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Troop A

Cpl. Nathan J. Shinkle, Troop B  
Cpl. Thomas B. Ziegler, Troop H

*5 years*

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lon, Troop A  
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DE III Gaye L. Hargis, Troop A



# ~ Thank You ~

The Woodruff, Gunn, and Prince families would like to thank all those who offered condolences, sympathy, thoughts, and prayers during their recent time of grief upon the loss of Sherrie Gunn. Your kindness was greatly appreciated during this difficult time.

*DE III Wanda F. Woodruff,  
Troop C*

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Thank you to all the Patrol family for your thoughts, prayers, and flowers during the recent illness and loss of my dad.

*Sincerely,  
CVO II Ray R. Oldsen*

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There are no words adequate to say thank you to our Patrol family for the outpouring of love and support since the loss of our Aimee. We were so overwhelmed by the attendance at the celebration of her life. We sincere-

ly want to thank everyone for coming to our home, the funeral home, the service, and the golf tribute. We are so sorry that we missed getting to speak to some of you personally, but want you to know how much each one of you mean to us. We truly appreciate each expression of sympathy, and most of all, your hugs and sincere words. We are so grateful and blessed by the donations to Aimee's memorial scholarship fund. That is a gift we hope will touch lives each year as Aimee did in her daily life.

*With all our love,  
Ret. Sgt. Sam Kaiser, Lisa, Pat,  
and Anne*

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On behalf of my entire family I want to say thank you for the support, flowers, cards, and the words of encouragement expressed to me and my family following the death of my mother, Theresa Ellis. Your expres-

sions are gratefully acknowledged and deeply appreciated.

*God Bless,  
Captain Vincent J. Ellis, Troop A*

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Thanks for all the cards, letters, and words of encouragement after the loss of my father and mother.

*Corporal Jimmy A. Beckett and  
family*

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Jackie and I would like to thank everyone for the many prayers, cards, and the lovely plant from Troop H sent to the Beson family in Claremore, OK, following the death of Jackie's stepfather, Clyde Beson. Jackie's mother, Bonnie, was very proud and told almost everyone that the Missouri State Highway Patrol sent a statewide "teletype" announcing the passing of her husband. I am very proud to be part of an organization that not only cares about the employee, but also cares about the employee's family members.

*Lieutenant Eric A. Tilford and  
family  
Troop H*

## Sympathy

*Our deepest sympathy goes to the following personnel who have lost a member of their family:*

Stenographer III Brenda Davidson  
(E) - father-in-law  
Lead Radio Person John B. Beaton  
(E) - grandmother  
Radio Personnel Lindell E. Roth (B)  
- grandmother  
Ret. CVO Richard Wallace - mother  
Cpl. Bruce A. Becker (C) - grand-  
mother  
DE I Dennis W. Richardson (F)  
- grandmother-in-law  
DE III Cathy M. Allen (C) - father  
Ret. Tpr. Jim Martin - mother  
Lt. Eric A. Tilford (H) - father-in-law  
Chief MVI Roger D. Cross (F)  
- father  
Ret. Sgt. G.T. Sims - father-in-law  
Cpl. Thomas G. Sims (A) - grandfa-  
ther

Ret. Sgt. Harold L. Stephens - son  
Capt. Vincent J. Ellis (A) - mother  
CVO II Tracy A. Hudson (G) - father  
CVO II John D. Hudson (G) - father-  
in-law  
Ret. Sgt. R.L. "Sam" Kaiser - daughter  
MVI III Regina C. Brown - father  
Auto. Tech. III Chris M. Cutler (G)  
- stepfather-in-law  
Ret. Sgt. Joe Wilson - father  
Ret. CVO Harley Coleman - father-in-  
law  
DE III Donna J. Coleman - father  
AFIS Entry Oper. II Diana K. Klug  
(Q/CRID) - mother  
Ret. Sgt. Jim Klug - mother-in-law  
AFIS Entry Oper. I Kevin A. Klug  
(Q/CRID) - step grandmother

Fingerprint Tech. I Elisha M. Pearon  
(Q/CRID) - grandmother  
CVO Sprv. I Janelle M. Waterman  
(A) - mother  
Ret. Sgt. Roy Robinson - son  
Clerk IV Brenda L. Starke (Q/TFD)  
- grandfather-in-law  
Clerk Typist III Bridget R. Ungarsky  
(D) - father  
Ret. Clerk Typist III Harriette Rosen-  
meyer - husband  
Tpr. Clinton S. Mason (D) - father-  
in-law  
Ret. Clerk IV Carlene F. Waller  
- mother  
MVI Sprv. Kenneth G. Harris (C)  
- father  
Tpr. Russell W. Shaul (A) - father-in-  
law

# Troop F Presents Honorary Trooper Certificates

## *By Troop F*

Captain Dale A. Schmidt, Troop F, presented two Honorary Trooper certificates on March 22, 2007. Mr. Robert L. Duncan, Eldon, MO, and Mr. Dustin Monteer, St. Elizabeth, MO, were recognized for their actions at a motor vehicle crash. The crash occurred on January 7, 2007, on Missouri Route 7 just outside of Eldon, when a Ford Ranger skidded into the oncoming lane and struck a Pontiac Vibe.

The driver of the Ford was able to crawl out of his vehicle and escape the fire. However, the driver of the Pontiac and her two children were trapped. Mr. Duncan witnessed the crash from his residence, which was nearby. He responded to the scene to offer assistance. Mr. Monteer drove up after the crash and also stopped to offer assistance. The two gentlemen assessed the situation, then drove back to the Duncan residence to retrieve a tow chain. After hooking the tow chain to Mr. Monteer's vehicle, they used it to pull the burning Ford Ranger away from the Pontiac Vibe to prevent the fire from spreading.

"Mr. Duncan and Mr. Monteer's heroic actions provided the best possible chance of survival for a mother and her two children," said Capt. Schmidt. "We want to thank them for their heroic actions."



*Honorary Troopers Robert L. Duncan and Dustin Monteer are pictured.*

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